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14	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT		
15	EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA		
16	JOSEPH F. HARBISON, III dba JOSEPH F. HARBISON, III & ASSOCIATES,	) No. CIV.S-04-2542 FCD/ JFM	
17	Plaintiff,	ORDER CONTINUING MARCH 28, 2008 STATUS CONFERENCE	
18	v.	Courtroom: 2, 15 <sup>th</sup> Floor	
19 20	AMERICAN MOTORISTS INSURANCE COMPANY,	The Honorable Frank C. Damrell, Jr.	
21	Defendant.	) ) )	
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This is an insurance coverage and "bad faith" action that arises from an underlying lawsuit entitled *Christopher J. Olsen v. Joseph F. Harbison, III dba Joseph F. Harbison, III & Associates*, Sacramento Superior Court action number 03AS06006 (the "Underlying Action"). As the parties' previously advised this Court, American Motorists' indemnity obligation and alleged breach of the

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implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing cannot be determined until the Underlying Action
has been resolved.

The trial of the Underlying Action has been continued several times, and is now set for

March 17, 2008. The trial is estimated to take two weeks. We have been advised that the five-year statute expired in February 2008. The parties therefore stipulated to the March 17 trial date, with
an allowance for the case to trail through April in the event a courtroom is unavailable. We are

# **STATUS OF THIS INSURANCE ACTION**

advised the defense will not stipulate to any further extension of the statute.

Based on the parties' earlier stipulation, this Court has temporarily stayed litigation of this suit pending trial of the Underlying Action. A further status conference is currently scheduled for March 28, 2008. This March 28 date was set based on a November 20, 2007 trial date in the Underlying Action.

Since trial of the Underlying Action will not begin until March 17 (at the earliest), the parties request that the status conference be continued 60 days, to May 30, 2008. That should allow sufficient time to conclude the trial proceedings in the Underlying Action.

#### STIPULATION TO CONTINUE THE STATUS CONFERENCE

The parties to this action, by and through their respective counsel, stipulate as follows:

- 1. Because defendant's indemnity obligation and alleged breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing cannot be determined until resolution of the Underlying Action, the parties agree that this action should continue to be temporarily stayed until the Underlying Action is resolved. Trial of the Underlying Action currently is set for March 17, 2008.
- 2. The parties also stipulate and request that a further status conference be scheduled for May 30, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., with an updated joint status report due May 20, 2008.

DATED: February 15, 2008

## LOMBARDI, LOPER & CONANT

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6	<u>ORDER</u>	
7	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that	
8	1. This action continues to be temporarily stayed until the Underlying Action is	
9	resolved. Trial of the Underlying Action currently is set for March 17, 2008.	
10	2. A further status conference is set for June 6, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. An updated joint	
11	status report must be filed by May 23, 2008.	
12	DATED: February 15, 2008  FRANK C. DAMRELL, JR. UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE	
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